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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

BOX NON-FEE AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002, please amend the above referenced patent application as indicated herein.

In the Claims

Please amend claims 13 and 15 as follows:

13. (Amended) A prepreg comprising: a short fiber nonwoven fabric comprising thermal-resistant synthetic fibers; an inorganic binder; and a resin varnish, wherein the prepreg is